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Enclosed is/are:

- [X] Transmittal Letter (this form, 2 pages) (in duplicate), Total Pages: 4;
- [X] Response to Notice of Incomplete Reply (Non-Provisional); Total Pages: 2;
- [X] Copy of Notice of Incomplete Reply (Non-Provisional), Total Pages: 1
- [X] Substitute Formal Drawings (Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9), Total Sheets: 9;
- [X] Letter to Official Draftsperson, Total Pages: 2;
- [X] Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time, Total Pages: 2;
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NON-PROVISIONAL)

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Non-Provisional), dated May 14, 2002, Applicants submit the enclosed set of Substitute Formal Drawings in compliance with 37 CFR §1.184(g) that contain the correct margin settings. Specifically, a complete

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new set of Drawing Sheets 1 through 9 (Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9) are enclosed herewith in which changes have been made to provide for the proper margin settings. Applicants assert that the changes made to the drawings do not constitute the addition of new matter to this patent application and respectfully request acceptance of these Substitute Drawings as formal drawings.

It is believed that there is no fee required for this submission. If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete or a fee is required for this submission, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 366-9600, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 03/25/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 02/05/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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